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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

WILSON O. PETERS,

Petitioner,

v.

DWIGHT NEVEN, et al.,

Respondents.

Case No. 2:14-cv-01055-APG-VCF

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE EXHIBITS UNDER SEAL AND NOTICE OF SEALED FILING (EXHIBITS 41 – 45, CR 28)

COMES NOW, Petitioner, Wilson O. Peters, through his attorneys of record, Jason F. Carr, Assistant Federal Public Defender, hereby moves this Court pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 5.2(d) and Rule 10-5 of the Local Rules of Practice of the United States District Court for the District of Nevada for leave to file the following exhibits under seal.

No.	DATE	DOCUMENT	COURT	CASE#
41.	10/03/09	Psychiatric Evaluation – Daniel Sussman, M.D., MBA		
42.	10/07/09	Competency Report – Greg Harder, Psy.D.		
43.	11/16/09	Competency Evaluation – Catherine Choi Pearson, Ph.D.		
44.	11/29/09	Psychiatric Evaluation –		

		Lindell Bradley, M.D.	
45.	12/03/09	Psychological Evaluation of	
		Competency to Stand Trial –	
		Robert F. Behrens, Ph.D.	

This motion is based upon the following points and authorities, as well as all pleadings, documents and exhibits on file in this matter.

DATED: November 3, 2015

RENE L. VALLADARES Federal Public Defender

/s/ Jason F. Carr

JASON F. CARR Assistant Federal Public Defender Attorney for Wilson Peters

IT IS SO ORDERED:

RICHARD F. BOULWARE, II

United States District Judge

DATED this 13th day of November, 2015.

POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

On November 10, 2014, Petitioner filed his First Amended Petition for Writ of

Habeas Corpus by a Person in State Custody Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. (See

Clerk's Record (CR) 8). Peters contemporaneously filed Exhibits 1 through 40. (See

CR 9-12.) Petitioner now seeks to include the above exhibits in the record before this

Court (CR 28). While public access to judicial filings and documents is favored, see

Nixon v. Warner Communications, Inc., 435 U.S. 589, 597 (1978), a party may have

a judicial record sealed by demonstrating "compelling reasons" that outweigh the

public policy favoring disclosure, including that records may be used improperly. See

Kamakana v. City and County of Honolulu, 447 F.3d 1172, 1178-79 (9th Cir. 2006).

Petitioner asserts that there are "compelling reasons" to seal the above exhibits

in this case. Exhibits 41 through 45 contain medical records in regards to

psychological therapy and examinations for Petitioner. As such, sealing these

exhibits will aid in protecting the privacy of Petitioner. Sealing these medical records

also protects Peters' rights under federal legislation such as the Health Insurance

Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

For the foregoing reasons, Petitioner requests that the above exhibits be filed

under seal.

DATED: November 3, 2015

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that she is an employee in the office of the Federal Public Defender for the District of Nevada and is a person of such age and discretion as to be competent to serve papers.

That on November 3, 2015, she served a true and accurate copy of the foregoing to the United States District Court, who will e-serve the following addressee:

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/s/ Leianna Jeske

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